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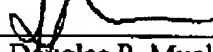
Favorable reconsideration of this application is requested in view of the above amendments and the following remarks. Claim 1 is hereby amended.

In view of the above, favorable reconsideration in the form of a notice of allowance is requested. Any questions regarding this communication can be directed to the undersigned attorney, Douglas P. Mueller, Reg. No. 30,300, at (612)455-3804.

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